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Chair Dembrow, Vice-Chair Olsen and Members of the Senate Interim Committee on Environment and Natural Resources,

I'd like to thank you for your deep and continued work on the critical issue of climate change. Please consider this testimony in favor of even stronger climate action in 2020:

My name is Kyla Yeoman, a concerned mother from Portland. I have a 3 year old daughter who loves to hike in the forest. Her little legs can only take her about two miles through Forest Park right now, but we know she'll love exploring Oregon's vast old-growth forests, salmon-filled rivers, and open rolling hills once she's older.

I am deeply concerned she won't be able to experience Oregon's incredible natural wealth if the current bill continues to be weakened by fossil fuel and corporate timber industries. We don't have any more time.

More immediately than my daughter's future, I am concerned that Oregon's most vulnerable populations need strong climate action now. We need to invest in those communities that are affected by climate change first and worst -- rural, low-income, Tribes and communities of color.

As it is currently written, SB1530 is too weak to meet our state's goals to reduce harmful pollution.

- We need improvements to the transportation portion of the bill so all oil companies pay their share no matter where they're located. Oil companies are the largest source of pollution in our state.
- The bill must be stronger to reduce pollution from natural gas.
- The clean energy investments must be guaranteed.

I came to Salem several times in 2019 to advocate for the strongest possible legislation Oregon could pass. I will continue to do everything in my power to pass legislation that is in line with the climate emergency we are already experiencing.

I hope you will continue to strengthen this bill and pass bold climate change in 2020. We can't wait any longer.

Thank you,

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